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FOR: COMBINATION OF AN AROMATASE INHIBITOR WITH A
BISPHOSPHONATE

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

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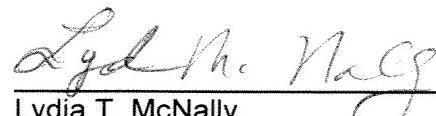
Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Office Action dated May 13, 2008 finally rejecting claims 1, 10, 18, 19 and 22-24.

- Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$540 for payment of the appeal fee. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

- The appeal fee was paid in a previous appeal herein. The examiner re-opened prosecution prior to any decision by the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences. No fee is now due.

Enclosed is a Petition for Extension of Time.

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